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In re Application of :
Poulin et al. :
Serial No.: 09/529,319 : WITHDRAWAL OF ABANDONMENT
Filed: April 11, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No.: 6013-114us :


This is in response to applicants' communication filed May 15, 2003, requesting reconsideration of revival of the above-identified application based on nonreceipt of the office action.

The reconsideration was accompanied with a copy of e-mail between Stevn Highlander of FULBRIGHT & JAWORSKI LLP and Marc Gane who is under supervision of Paul Marcoux as evidence that the Office action dated July 30, 2002 was never received. The statement and evidence indicated that the Office action dated July 30, 2002 was never received.

Applicants' petition is **GRANTED**.

The application has been returned to pending status, A copy of the Final Office action dated July 30, 2002 is attached herewith. The shortened statutory period for response is set to expired Three Months from the mailing date of this letter.

Should there be any questions regarding this decision, please contact Cecilia Tsang by mail addressed to Director, Technology Center 1600, Washington, D.C. 20231, or by telephone at (703) 308-0254 or by facsimile transmission at (703) 305-7230.


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